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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) or §1.97(d), the undersigned hereby certifies that no item of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and to the knowledge of the undersigned after making a reasonable inquiry, no item of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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